



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
COMMISSION FOR WOMEN**

**KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

Monday, May 9, 2011

10:00 AM

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ROLL CALL

Present: President Becerra-Jones, Vice President Tanberg, Treasurer Gravely, Commissioner Creary, Commissioner Gallegos, Commissioner Lesser, Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, Commissioner Shevlin and Commissioner Ward

Absent: Commissioner Pinedo

Excused: Commissioner Duba and Commissioner Rodriguez

The meeting was called to order by President Becerra-Jones at 10:09 a.m.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes from the meeting of April 11, 2011. (11-1983)

After discussion, on motion of Vice President Tanberg, seconded by Commissioner Lesser, this item was approved with the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - President Becerra-Jones, Vice President Tanberg, Treasurer Gravely, Commissioner Gallegos, Commissioner Lesser and Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon

Abstentions: 2 - Commissioner Shevlin and Commissioner Ward

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Pinedo

Excused: 3 - Commissioner Creary, Commissioner Duba and Commissioner Rodriguez

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2. Appointment of a Legislative AD-HOC Committee to collaborate with Office of Women's Health and Public Health to support Women's issues as submitted by President Becerra-Jones. (11-1871)

President Becerra-Jones announced the following appointed Legislative Ad-Hoc Committee members: Commissioner Ward, Commissioner Lesser, Commissioner Shevlin and herself. The Ad-Hoc Committee will be reviewing the County Legislative agenda on issues that impact women in Los Angeles County and make recommendation on women's issues. In addition, the Committee will be working closely with the Office of Women's Health and Public Health. The Committee will provide an update on their recommendations at the next Commission meeting.

By Common consent, this item was approved.

II. SET MATTERS

3. **11:00 a.m.**

Presentation by Liz Herrera, Executive Director, El Nido, on State budget cuts to the Cal-Works program. (11-1975)

Liz Herrera, Executive Director of El Nido provided an overview of the State budget cuts and how they are affecting the Cal-Works funding to the Cal-Learn Program for high risk pregnant and parenting teens in Los Angeles County.

Ms. Herrera responded to questions posed by the Commission, and addressed the role of the Commission. Commissioner Creary suggested to contact Assemblywoman Holly Mitchell since her primary jurisdictions are health care and Medi-Cal. Ms. Herrera mentioned she contacted the Board Deputies regarding budget cuts.

Judy Martel addressed the Commission on the budget cuts affecting the Cal-Learn program.

After further discussion, her verbal report was received and filed.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Discussion and approval to send one representative to the National Association of Commission for Women's 2011 Business Meeting and Conference in Phoenix, Arizona on July 20-22, 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$1,435 for registration, hotel, meals and transportation as submitted by Commissioner Lesser at the meeting of April 11, 2011. (11-1971)

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner Lesser, this item was approved.

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5. Approval to send a Commission representative to the ACCW election and educational meeting to be held June 25, 2011 in Cambria, California in an amount not to exceed \$500 for transportation, hotel and meals to be paid from the Presidents Fund as submitted by Commissioner Lesser at the meeting of April 11, 2011. (11-1869)

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Lesser, seconded by Vice President Tanberg, this item was approved. Commissioner Lesser provided a brief overview of the ACCW and how they are a mechanism for Commissions to collaborate with one another within the State of California.

6. Approval of a donation of \$1,000 to MEND (Meet Each Need with Dignity) from the 2011 Education Community Project of District 3 to cover the costs of rental equipment for health screenings and to provide lab tests at no costs to attendees of the MEND Health Fair on July 16, 2011. (11-1979)

On motion of Commissioner Gallegos, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, this item was approved.

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7. Approval of the Event Funding Request of \$230 for the reimbursement to Commissioner Norma Gallegos for the purchase of one ticket to the MORE Magazine Reinvention Convention on May 23, 2011 as submitted by District 3. (11-1981)

Commissioner Lesser requested clarification on the MORE Magazine Reinvention Convention. Commissioner Gallegos stated the event will feature expert speakers and panelists exploring the theme of reinvention across various topic areas specific to women. The event will take place at the Los Angeles Convention Center. Commissioner Gallegos will report back at the next meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, this item was approved.

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8. Approval of the Event Funding Request of \$218 for the purchase of two tickets to the Mending Poverty Conference hosted by MEND on June 15, 2011 as submitted by District 2. (11-1976)

President Becerra-Jones announced that interested Commissioners can attend the conference in her place.

On motion of Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, seconded by Commissioner Creary, this item was approved.

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9. Approval of a donation of \$950 from the 2011 Health Education Community Project of District 4 to cover the costs of printing of posters, programs, and handouts and a donation to the keynote speaker for the Healthy Aging for Women: Transitioning Through Midlife hosted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Office of Women's Health on June 21, 2011. (11-2138)

Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Lesser, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, this item was approved. Commissioner Lesser clarified that although the funds are taken from District 4, they will be used in collaboration throughout the County. The meeting will focus on healthy aging for women transitioning through midlife.

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10. Approval to reimburse Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon for the cost of lunch in the amount of \$200.63 and parking at the Millennium Biltmore for the Marlborough Chamber Choir in the amount of \$54.00 to be paid from the President's Fund. (11-1572)

On motion of Vice President Tanberg, seconded by Commissioner Shevlin, this item was approved.

11. Approval to allocate a portion of the 12th Annual Run/Walk Race Director Fees approved from the meeting of June 14, 2010 and donate the amount of \$500.00 to the North American Racewalking Institute (NARI), subsidiary of the North American Racewalking Foundation (NARF). (11-1980)

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Lesser, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon, this item was approved.

12. Approval to reimburse the Executive Office, Board of Supervisors for fees incurred for audio set up at the Scholarship Presentation held on January 18, 2011 in the amount of \$185.58. (11-2145)

On motion of Vice President Tanberg, seconded by Commissioner Lesser, this item was approved.

Commissioner Creary requested clarification regarding the amount requested. After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Creary, seconded by Commissioner Lesser, the item was reconsidered.

Therefore, by common consent, the item was continued to the meeting of June 13, 2011 for further discussion.

IV. REPORTS

13. Presidents report for the month of April. (11-1982)

This item was received and filed.

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14. Recommendation to receive and file the report on Expendable Activity for the month of April 2011. (11-1972)

Commissioner Gravely provided a brief overview of the Expendable Activity for the month of April.

The report was received and filed.

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V. DISCUSSIONS

15. Discussion on Commissioners Community Outreach and Education Activities for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. (11-1974)

President Becerra-Jones requested The Community Outreach and Education Activities Form be completed and submitted by members of the Commission.

After discussion, Commissioner Creary noted she utilizes a similar form for each month that was previously approved by the Commission. President Becerra-Jones suggested the aforementioned form be utilized for one month and discussed at the June meeting.

No further action was taken by the Commission.

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16. Discussion on and report from each District on vacancies within the Commission as requested by Commissioner Tanberg. (11-1872)

Vice President Tanberg reported the following vacancies within the Commission: First District - 1 vacancy, Second District - 1 vacancy and Fourth District - 1 vacancy. Vice President Tanberg inquired if the Commission can send a letter to the Board regarding the current vacancies and how it affects the Commission. Rhonda Rangel, staff member, stated that the Board received quarterly attendance reports reflecting the Commission's attendance. President Becerra-Jones suggested each Commissioner meet with their respective Supervisor to discuss appointments within their district. Vice President Tanberg will develop letter to the Board regarding the need to fill the Commission's vacancies.

After further discussion, President Becerra-Jones instructed Vice President Tanberg to draft a letter to be presented at a future meeting.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS**Matters Not Posted**

17. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (11-2656)

Public Comment

18. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (11-1571)

Judy Martel addressed the Commission. During Public Comment several members of the Commission also addressed the Commission and announced the following:

President Becerra-Jones reminded the Commission about the June meeting where they will present their community project. Commissioner's were encouraged to invite their community partners.

Commissioner Creary reminded Commissioners of the 2nd District Women's Health Symposium to be held at the 1st A.M.E. Church on Saturday, May 28, 2011. The upcoming 2nd District Health Symposium Planning teleconference meeting will be held Thursday, May 12, 2011. Commissioners are welcome to dial in at (213) 974-9297.

Commissioner Lesser announced the appointment of new Police Chief, Eve Irvine to the City of Manhattan Beach. She also mentioned she will be volunteering on the Blue Blue Zone Vitality Project. The mission of the project is to add healthy years to an entire town by weaving the Blue Zones principles into every aspect of the community restaurants, businesses, schools, and everyday lives.

Commissioner Gravely announced she attended the Fair Day Pay Equal Employment Opportunity meeting regarding the women's pay gap.

Commissioner McCarthy Napoleon announced that the Marlborough School Charitable Fund raised over \$30,000. The school is currently accepting applications from groups who would like to receive funding. For more information, you may contact Nadia Hopper at nadia.hopper@marlboroughschool.org.

Adjournment

19. Adjournment for the meeting of May 9, 2011. (11-2014)

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.